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AMENDMENT

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed August 17, 2005, and includes the following sections.

1. Introductory Comments, beginning on page 2
2. Amendments to and Listing of Claims, beginning on page 3
3. Remarks, beginning on page 8

No fee is believed to be necessary. Should any fee be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 06-0029 and is requested to notify us of the same.

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Amendment is responsive to the outstanding Office Action mailed August 17, 2005, which rejected claims 1-7, 14, 17, and 18 and objected to claims 8, 15, 19-21, and 23-25. Claims 9-13, 16, 22 and 26-34 were previously withdrawn. This response is timely filed within the three month shortened statutory period.

By this response, claims 1-4 and 21 are amended. Claims 1-8, 14-15, 17-21 and 23-25 are presented for reconsideration and allowance.